NOTES:

A. <u>GENERAL STATEMENT</u>

The primary duty of the Regional Board is to protect the quality of the waters within the region for all beneficial uses. This duty is implemented by formulation and adopting water quality plans for specific ground or surface water basins and by prescribing and enforcing requirements on all domestic and industrial waste discharges. Responsibilities and procedures of the Regional Water Quality Control Board come from the State's Porter-Cologne Water Quality Act and the Nation's Clean Water Act.

The purpose of the meeting is for the Board to obtain testimony and information from concerned and affected parties and make decisions after considering the recommendations made by the Executive Officer.

B. <u>CONTRIBUTIONS TO REGIONAL BOARD MEMBERS</u>

Persons applying for or actively supporting or opposing waste discharge requirements or other Regional Board orders must comply with legal requirements if they or their agents have contributed or proposed to contribute \$250 or more to the campaign of a Regional Board member for elected office. Contact the Regional Board for details if you fall into this category.

C. PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

The Regional Board may break for lunch at approximately noon at the discretion of the Chairman. During the lunch break Regional Board members may have lunch together. Regional Board business will not be discussed.

<u>Speaker Cards</u>. All persons desiring to address the Regional Board are required to fill out a speaker card. Cards are normally provided near the entrance to the meeting room. Regional Board staff can assist you in locating the cards.

Please fill out a separate card for each item you plan to speak on. All relevant sections, including the oath, must be completed. Please use the appropriate color card, as indicated below:

Blue: Public Comments (for items requiring no Regional Board action - Public Forum,

status reports, etc.).

Green: Public Testimony, in support of the tentative action.

Pink: Public Testimony, opposed to the tentative action.

D. <u>AVAILABILITY OF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT AND AGENDA MATERIAL</u> Visit our website at <u>www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb9</u> to view the Executive Officer's Report

over the internet two days prior to the Regional Board meeting. A copy can also be obtained by contacting the staff office. A limited number of copies are available at the meeting.

Details concerning other agenda items are available for public reference during normal working hours at the Regional Board's office. The appropriate staff contact person, indicated with the specific agenda item, can answer questions and provide additional information. For additional information about the Board, please see the attached sheet.

E. PETITION OF REGIONAL BOARD ACTION

Any person affected adversely by a decision of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (Regional Board) may petition the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) to review the decision. The petition <u>must</u> be received by the State Board within 30 days of the Regional Board's meeting at which the adverse action was taken. Copies of the law and regulations applicable to filing petitions will be provided upon request.

NOTE: If the State Board accepts a petition for review, the Regional Board will be required to file the record in the matter with the State Board. The costs of preparing and filing the record are the responsibility of the person(s) submitting the petition. The Regional Board will contact the person(s) submitting a petition and inform them of the payment process and any amounts due.

F. <u>HEARING RECORD</u>

Material presented to the Board as part of testimony (e.g. photographs, slides, charts, diagrams etc.) that is to be made part of the record must be left with the Board. Photographs or slides of large exhibits are acceptable.

All Board files, exhibits, and agenda material pertaining to items on this agenda are hereby made a part of the record.

G. ACCESSIBILITY

The facility is accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals who have special accommodation or language needs, please contact Ms. Lori Costa at (858) 467-2357 or cost1@rb9.swrcb.ca.gov at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY/TDD/Speech-to-Speech users may dial 7-1-1 for the California Relay Service.

H. PRESENTATION EQUIPMENT

Providing and operating projectors and other presentation aids are the responsibilities of the speakers. Some equipment <u>may</u> be available at the Board Meeting; however, the type of equipment available will vary dependent on the meeting location. Because of compatibility issues, provision and operation of laptop computers and projectors for Power Point presentations will generally be the responsibility of the individual speakers. To ascertain the availability of presentation equipment please contact Ms. Lori Costa at (858) 467-2357 or costl@rb9.swrcb.ca.gov at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.